REMARKS

Applicant received a Notice of Allowance mailed July 29, 2004 stating that the Examiner had allowed claims 1-46. Accompanying the Notice of Allowance was an Examiner's Amendment, wherein the Examiner amended claim 5 to depend from claim 1 rather than from itself.

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's review and notice concerning the improper dependency of original claim 5. Applicants submit, however, that claim 5 should depend from claim 4, which provides antecedent basis for "said first and second relay control terminals." Applicants believe the proposed amendment improves the clarity and form of the claim. The amendment to claim 5 has not introduced any new limitations to claim 5, but has merely changed the dependency of claim 5. Entry of this amendment is proper since it does not change the scope of claim 5 and does not necessitate a new search or examination. Although Applicants do not believe any fees are necessitated by this amendment, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees associated with this amendment, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

If the Examiner has any questions about this amendment, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at (312) 321-4713.

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